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**ATTN: BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application please amend the specification and claims as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

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Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This application is a continuation application of PCT/GB98/03235, filed October 28, 1998, claiming priority to GB 9722779.7, filed October 28, 1997, in Great Britain."

Please insert the "Abstract of the Invention" which is attached as a separate page to this Preliminary Amendment.